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Applicant : Pericles Deavila  
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**AMENDMENT "B" AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office action of May 23, 2003, Applicant submits the following amendment and response. In the Office Action, claims 1-39 and 42-108 were rejected. Reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 6 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 35 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 36 of this paper.